

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/596,256

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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Art Unit

1621

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 6/25/07.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-7,16-18 and 21.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☒ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ |
| 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date <u>6/7/06</u> | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

DETAILED ACTION

Reasons for Allowance

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Applicants' claimed compound of formula I, composition and method for lowering blood-glucose using the compound of formula I, is not obvious over the prior art of record. The prior art fails to motivate those of ordinary skill in the art to modify the closest prior art disclosure and to arrive at instant applicants compound of formula I. Applicants' also showed the unexpected results in the specification (Table 1-3) for the claimed compound on the evaluation of glucose, triglyceride and hematocrit levels and body weight gain in diabetic mice. Therefore, in view of the foregoing reasons instant claims are unobvious over the prior art. Claims 1-7, 16-18 and 21 are allowed.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filled as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with MaCharri R. Vorndran-Jones on 15th August 2007.

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The application has been amended as follows:

Claims 8-15, 19-20, 22-23 have been cancelled.

In claim 1, delete the phrase "solvate, hydrate".

In claim 2, insert "." at the end of the claim.

In claim 3, insert "." at the end of the claim.

In claim 4, insert "." at the end of the claim.

In claim 5, insert "." at the end of the claim.

In claim 6, delete the phrase "solvate, hydrate".

In claim 7, delete the phrase "solvate, hydrate".

In claim 17, delete the words or phrases, "dyslipidemia", "hypertriglyceridemia", "syndrome X", "heart failure", "diabetic dyslipidemia", "hyperlipidemia", "hypercholesteremia", "hypertension", "obesity", "anorexia bulimia", "anorexia nervosa", "cardiovascular disease and other diseases where insulin resistance is a component".

In claim 21, delete the words or phrases, "dyslipidemia", "hypertriglyceridemia", "syndrome X", "heart failure", "diabetic dyslipidemia", "hyperlipidemia", "hypercholesteremia", "hypertension", "obesity", "anorexia bulimia", "anorexia nervosa", "cardiovascular disease and other diseases where insulin resistance is a component".

Correspondence

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sudhakar Katakam whose telephone number is 571-272-9929. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Yvonne Eyler can be reached on 571-272-0871. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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